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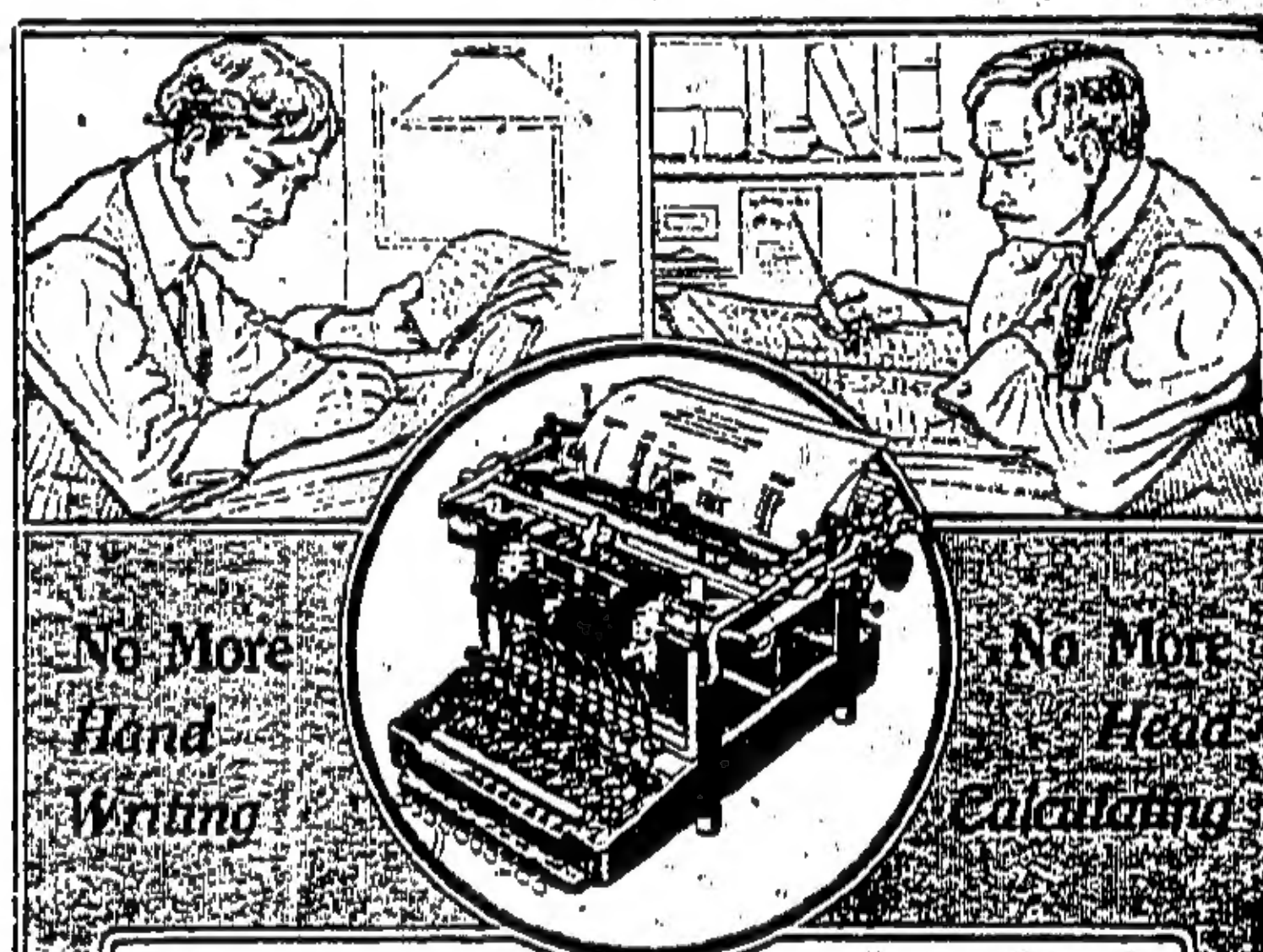
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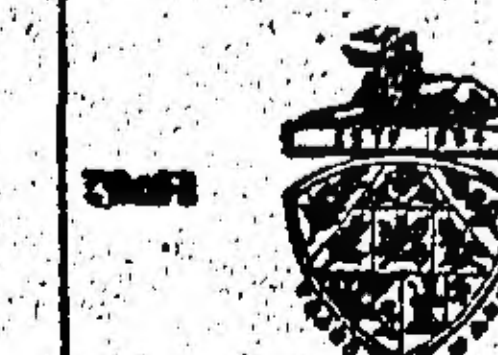
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LIFE IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

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It is not yet time to estimate the change made in the New Territories by the political events of 1911, but it is certain that it has not been confined to the cutting of the queue and the donning of the foreign cap. The suddenness and the unanimity which marked this step throughout the Territory were remarkable, and Puntis, Hakkas and Hokios all showed thereby that they had long been ready to join the party of progress, as soon as they were given a lead.

There is another feature in the history of the New Territories under British rule: the economic mind of the villager appreciates to the full, namely, the rise in the cost of living. The price of food has about doubled in the last 10 years, and wages have about doubled too, and as money has come into the Territory, so the standard of living has risen continually. Three meals a day are considered necessary to support the day labourer, who never heard of a midday meal a few years ago; not decent clothes, caps, and shoes, formerly luxuries, are now among the necessities of existence. House-building, and therefore house-rent, are much lower, and the Crown rent is much higher than it was under Chinese rule—or is in the neighbouring Chinese Territory. The latter, though obviously much less prosperous, has still the great advantage of cheaper food and cheaper living, and an advantage, which we may soon, in a lower standard of living. And the one great merit of Chinese rule is its tolerance: it moves with the feelings of the people, and does not force itself upon them: taxes are obtained from those who are able to pay, whereas many poor people across the border go on occupying their houses and plots of land for years without payment of rent, again, if they go to live, they are squeezed, but the large majority who avoid the courts are not troubled, and see for loss of the law and the authorities that the average Westerner. The Chinese villager does not so greatly care by cleanliness, or better housing, or find himself entirely unable to understand our aims and ideas, and our dismal condition of unrest; he frankly admits our technological spirit, our want of imagination, and our blindness to all the

forces of nature: he fears the iniquities of the Police, and dreads the thought of the Sanitary Board; but he does not recognize some solid advantages from British rule—chiefly in the security of life and property, and the greater prosperity which has resulted from restrictions placed on gambling and opium smoking.

The domestic life of the villager does not differ much from that of Chinese in other parts of China, nor has it altered much during the few years of British occupation; if anything, it falls rather behind the general standard of freedom and enlightenment in the Canton province. For this south corner of the San On District, which is now the New Territory, was a remote and rugged country, far from the seat of government and learning in Canton, and before the cession of Hongkong, little touched by external influence; and even now the customs and habits of the people are probably little changed from what they were a hundred years ago. A Chinese community life that of the New Territory is by its structure and its long habit of decentralised government very easy to administer. But its old, established customs and institutions must not be lightly changed or abandoned, and necessary innovations have to be introduced with the greatest delicacy.

In the New Territories as elsewhere, the continuous descent in the male line is the predominant object in the life of the Chinese, and the necessity for this is the foundation for many of their habits and customs: respect for age and experience is their second characteristic. The father of the family is the supreme head, and his sons come next in position and estimation; the mother of the family is supreme, by virtue of her years and her share in the continuance of the family, over the feminine establishment, and often proves a tyrant to her daughter-in-law. It is the object of every living male to provide himself with an heir; all he dies before marriage or has no male issue, he must be provided with an heir by adoption.

As a rule in the Territory, the villager has only one wife, with a concubine occasionally added owing to the barrenness of the first wife; but there are a few rich residents who can afford larger establishments. Marriages are arranged by the parents of the two parties, and a certain money consideration passes to the father or relations of the bride; the average ages of marriage are about 19 and 17 for man and wife respectively; but among the poorer Hakkas—population the poorest of the New Territories—the practice of infant betrothals is common. The girl in such case is regarded as belonging to her destined husband's family, but continues to reside with her parents, until she is of an age to cohabit with her husband; unless her parents die first, when she enters the house of her future husband as an "expectant" wife. The large proportion of seagoing folk among the population leads to a number of betrothals not being carried through, and it has become usual to fix seven years as the limit of time that a girl must wait for her future husband; she can then give six months' notice to the relations of the latter, and if nothing is heard of her, she can arrange a marriage with anyone else. The greatest trouble to the administration has come from runaway wives. The loosening of the bonds of custom and the undermining of male authority—which are inevitable results of our rule, have left the injured husband in a difficult position. By the Ordinances providing penalties for harbouring married women, he has obtained some redress, but the evil has not been remedied. The Chinese point of view which regards the woman as a chattel, and recognizes the right of a husband to sell or mortgage his concubine and a father his daughter, is one that may appear repulsive to the Westerner, but both steps are according to Chinese ideas of justice and equity, and it is likely to be long before the social position of women enables them entirely to escape this fate. But hereditary slavery, cultivation

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Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Wakasa Maru	Sander, Wieler & Co.	Aug. 28
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Chinhu	Butterfield & Swire	Aug. 29, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Anhui	Butterfield & Swire	Aug. 31, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	India	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Aug. 29, at 10 a.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Den of Glamis	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	About Sept. 5
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Namsang	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	Aug. 31, at Noon
Singapore, Penang & Uta	Sooksang	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	Aug. 31, at Noon
Singapore, Penang & Uta	Selunga	D. Sassoon & Co., Ltd.	Sept. 10, at 1 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Goehon	Melchers & Co.	About Sept. 4
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Palma	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Aug. 30
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Daijyu Maru	Ozaka Shosen Kaisha	Sept. 8, at Noon
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Shinyu Maru	Ozaka Shosen Kaisha	Sept. 8, at Noon
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	J.D. Ahlers	Hamburg Am'ka Linie	Aug. 28
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	C. Ford, Lacis	Hamburg Am'ka Linie	Sept. 13
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Shaimun	Douglas, Laprak & Co.	Sept. 1, at 10 a.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Haiyang	Douglas, Laprak & Co.	Aug. 30, at 11 a.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Haiching	Douglas, Laprak & Co.	Sept. 5, at 11 a.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Changshing	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	Aug. 30, at Noon
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Changshing	The Bank Line, Ltd.	About Sept. 17
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Changshing	Ozaka Shosen Kaisha	Sept. 8, at 1 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Shidzuoka Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Sept. 10, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Shidzuoka Maru	Canadian P&O Co.	Sept. 14, at 6 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Shidzuoka Maru	Canadian P&O Co.	Oct. 5, at 6 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Shidzuoka Maru	Canadian P&O Co.	Aug. 31, at 4 p.m.

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Clyseus, L. Spore for Taku & Japan Aug. 21.

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Dagopolus, L. H. K. H. Aug. 20.

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Laccedon, L. Yama for Kobe Sept. 2.

Memnon, L. Kobe for Spore Aug. 12.

Myrtilus, P. Canal H. Aug. 20.

Noleus, L. Shai for Keelung H. Aug. 28.

Pingping, P. Canal O. Aug. 13.

Polydorus, L. Hankow H. Aug. 5.

Proteus, A. Spore O. Aug. 20.

Rhesus, P. Canal H. Aug. 23.

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Vangates, P. Canal O. Aug. 23.

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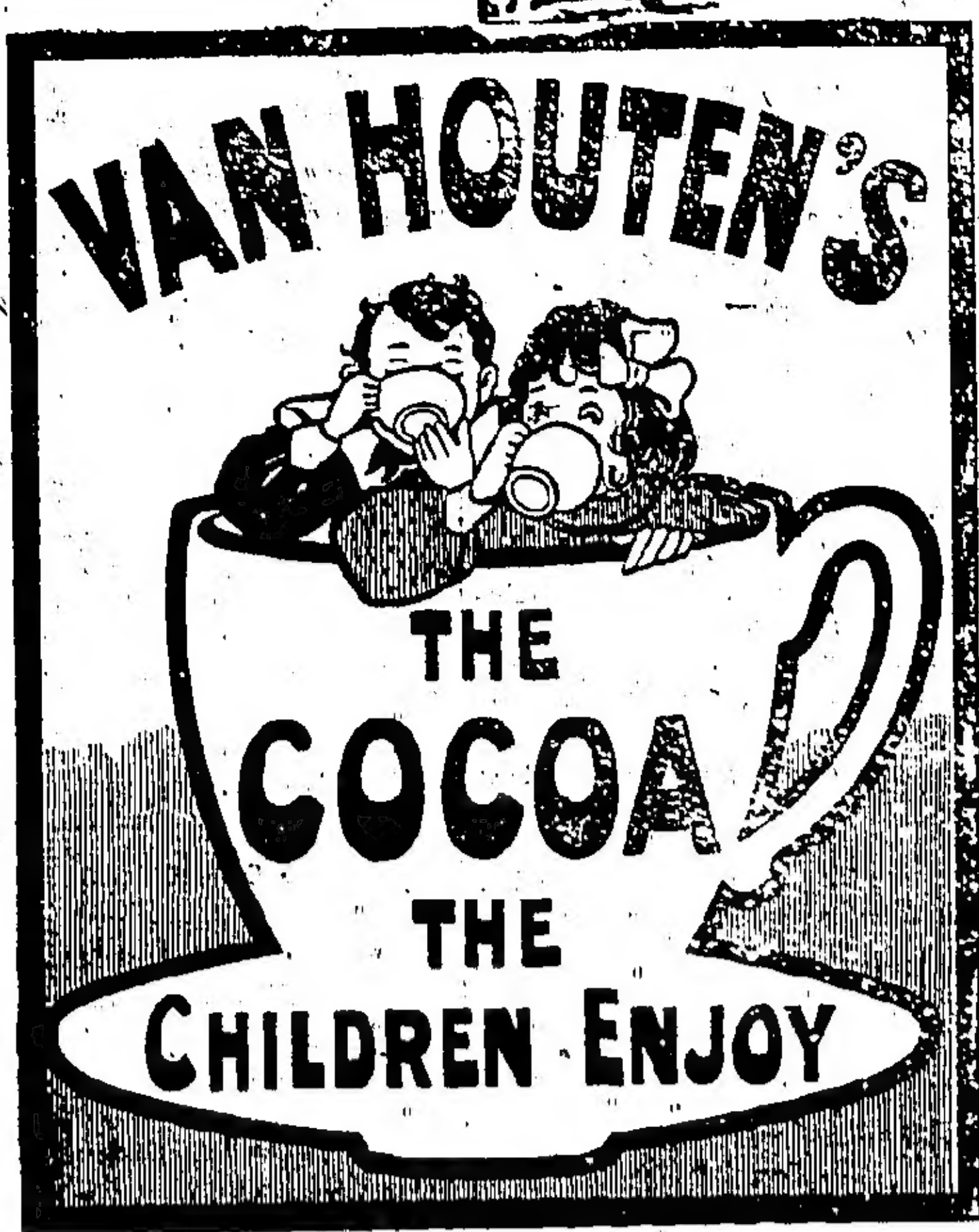
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LIFE IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

(Continued from page 4.)

valent to our old "village," has been
abolished in China by Imperial Edict on
several occasions and is now practically
extinct, so far as the New Territories are
concerned. The abandonment or poison-
ing of young children is still not unknown
in some parts; it is sometimes due to the
disease or deformity of the infant, but
more often to jealousy between the wives
of the establishment.

The desire for posterity already men-
tioned is connected with that ancestor
worship which is the first religious duty
of the Chinese; and it is the chief duty
of the male heir to provide for this in the
old moon, and sometimes in the old
he visits the ancestral grave and wor-
ships there, presenting copious supplies
of rice and pork and other delicacies
which the ancestor consumes in the
spirit only, and he and his relations then
feast in the flesh.

But this worship of the spirits of the
departed is in fact only a part of a general
worship of spirits of all kinds and forms.
The farmer is nearest to the worship-
pers and naturally demands their first
attention, but there are other spirits of
little less importance; in particular there
are dragon spirits on land, especially in
the hills, and on sea; there are spirits
peculiar to special hills, and in many
wild-places and shrines, which are duly
worshipped and presented with gifts of
food by the neighbouring folk. There are
two certain reigning spirits which are the
chief objects of Chinese worship, notably
in the New Territories, Tin Hau, the
Queen of Heaven, who is the special
guardian of sailors, and Kwan Tai, the
god of war. The former has a fine temple
at Cheung Chau, the chief resort of the
fishing folk.

The general religious beliefs as to the
relations of the spirits with the land are
embodied under the name "Fungshui,"
meaning "wind and water"—the two
great moving elements in nature. The
whole earth, with all that grows out of
it, is full of spirits good and bad, which
have their own prejudices about the use
and occupation of their haunts, and re-
quire proper attention from the human
beings in their neighbourhood; so it
clearly behooves anyone intending to build
a house or a grave, a road, or a railway,
to ascertain on the best authority what
site or direction he should choose. In its
origins, fungshui can undoubtedly claim
to be based on feelings and ideas natu-
ral to human nature, and there is much
wisdom in it, which even our
modern science cannot entirely ignore.
Thus "fungshui" forbids the overlooking
of one house or place, and the setting
of one grave just above another; for such
an action would show a spirit of arrogance
and presumption. It notes great store by
wild trees, which are for this reason care-
fully preserved and even worshipped near
the villages; and certain large or ancient
trees are objects of a special veneration.
When a site is duly chosen, and after-
wards found to be unhealthy, it is dis-
credited; and thus in time fungshui is
modified or built up by a kind of case
law; and in fact the popular opinion of
"good fungshui" is very seldom mistaken.
It is not surprising that in course
of time the ideas of "fungshui" have
been complicated and overlaid with num-
berless small observances and supersti-
tions, employed by necromancers and
geomancers and the whole host of fung-

shui professors in order to increase their
own reputations and mystify the people; but
in its general principles it is a sane and
simple idea, and is readily adapted by the
common sense of its votaries, in ac-
cordance with the teaching of experi-
ence, and the needs of the time.

During the British administration of
the New Territories, railways and roads
have been cut ruthlessly through and over
the hills, sometimes in places known to
be the haunts of dragons and other
spirits, and houses have been built for
private occupation on the tops of the
hills. For these and other purposes the
graves also have been summarily re-
moved from the hill-sides, not, it must
be said, without compensation being
given. But such acts, which no Chinese
would have ventured to perform himself,
were soon regarded as inevitable and
acquiesced in by the people almost with-
out a murmur; and now as time goes on,
the old ideas of fungshui are being modi-
fied so far as they prove incompatible
with our laws and customs, and to some
extent too by the direct influence of
Western ideas. But spirit worship con-
tinues to flourish in other respects, and
the gods and spirits are still the objects
of the whole-hearted veneration and be-
lief of the people. The old economies
are requisitioned or called down ruin, or
averting ill-omen, and the New Territory
resident, however enlightened, would not
choose a grave-site or a house-site with-
out calling in the assistance of a profes-
sor of fungshui or neglect the proper
offerings to his local temple. Naturally
the professors of fungshui are not averse
to playing on the fears and superstitions
of the common people, and many hard-
earned dollars are paid in order to avert
calamities foretold by these cunning
guity; to these impositions the fishing
folk are specially subject, and several
dollars may be paid by a poor fisherman
for the drawing of a black devil in the
correct attitude for warning off the
approach of its real counterpart.

A little better than the professors of
fungshui, are their brothers in the medi-
cal profession; in both callings there are
some honest men, but the doctors also
play upon the weaknesses of their fol-
lows, and it is probable that faith forms
a large ingredient in most cures. How-
ever, in medicine, as in fungshui, the
physician and his patient have learned
much from experience, and many of the
native remedies are both simple and
effective. Western science was at first
regarded with suspicion, and even now
the majority of the people prefer to ad-
here to their old methods and medicines;
but some simple Western medicines were
very soon accepted, and continue to in-
crease in popularity.

For the destruction of these old super-
stitions and prejudices which still cling
to the minds of the natives, we must look
chiefly to education and to travel. The
New Territory Chinese are great travel-
lers, and among the male population are
many seamen and firemen on ships, and
many returned emigrants from America
and other countries, whose wide experi-
ence sets as a continual solvent on the
narrow ignorance of their fellow country-
men. Education of any kind has always
appealed powerfully to Chinese, and they
are probably more ready than any other
people to defer to the voice of learning.
In every village appeal is made to the
lettered man to settle points of dispute,
and he receives the place of honour in
all local gatherings. It must be admitted
that this respect was formerly due not
only to his intrinsic merits and his
superior knowledge, but to the advantages
that he possessed in being able to write
and thus to draw up petitions in proper
form and present the cases of litigants to
the courts. With the coming of British
rule these advantages have largely dis-
appeared, except that it is still usual for
a litigant or other petitioner to submit
his petition in due form.

But the demand for education, mostly
on the old-fashioned lines, has been rather
stimulated than otherwise, and there is
practically no family which cannot obtain
elementary education for the sons of the
family, at a cost of from \$3 to \$5 per
annum for each boy. Government
schools on a small scale have been opened
at centres in the New Territories provid-
ing an elementary instruction in English;
the fee for these is 50 cents per month.
There is not, however, a great demand
for this instruction of a more modern
type in most of the districts; for the

people still cling to the old-fashioned
learning and particularly dislike giving
up their control over the teacher. In
the ordinary Chinese school the teacher
does not gain the approval of the parents,
his wages are curtailed or he is dismiss-
ed; and the hours and the curriculum are
in their discretion. Those too who can-
not pay their full fees, may make small
gifts of food instead. In fact they feel
the same objection to this as to other
Government institutions that it is too
rigid and this dislike is sufficient to
counteract the desire to acquire a know-
ledge of English. The number of Govern-
ment schools in the New Territories out-
side New Kowloon is only three with an
average attendance of some 20 each out
of a total of 224 schools in the Territories
with an average attendance of 16 each.
According to the Census of 1911, out of
37,381 male inhabitants questioned,
21,168 or about 57 per cent. stated that
they "knew characters," i.e., could read
and write the simple characters. Girls
are seldom taught such accomplishments
and at the same census 23,800 females
questioned, only 496 or some 11 per cent.
were entered as thus equipped.

There is no need to fear for the educa-
tional future of the New Territories, and
it can safely be predicted that as money
comes into the country and new ideas
spread, there will be an increased demand
for learning both ancient and modern.
The railway will bring European resi-
dents into closer contact with Hongkong
and Western ideas. The only fear is that
this intercourse may spread that veneer
of Western civilization which is such an
unhappy feature of the half-educated
Chinese in Hongkong. For it is a sad
fact that natives of all countries colonised
from the West, when introduced to the
luxuries and excitements of our modern
competitive life, have been apt to lose
their simple old-fashioned virtues, and
fall easy victims to the novel temptations
besetting them. Hitherto it has been the
policy of the Government in the New
Territories to restrain the popular weak-
ness for gambling, which was admitted
by the better conscience of the people to
be a serious obstacle to their peace and
prosperity; but to abstain scrupulously
from radical innovations, or from inter-
ference with local customs and institu-
tions. In them our superior knowledge
may find much that is absurd or even
degraded, but their improvement will
not spring from legislation or coercion,
but only from the growing enlightenment
of the people.

LAUGHTER OF ANIMALS.

Novel Experiments by a French
Doctor.

PARIS, July 29.

A paper, illustrated by photographs, on
the laughter of animals has been presented
to the zoological section of the Psychological
Institute by Dr. Raphael Dubois. He
shows the photograph of a young grey
hound to which a lump of sugar is being
offered. The dog's lower lip, writes the
doctor, is dropped, while the upper lip is
raised in a kind of grin. The teeth and
gums are bare, the jaws slightly opened,
the nostrils dilated, the eyelids half-closed,
the ears laid back. The dog assumes this
appearance when its mistress caresses it or
when it is simply told to lie down. The dog's
owner is persuaded that it laughs, and that
is the impression produced on the observer.

Another photograph shows a horse which
likewise opens its lips, bares its teeth and
gums, and assumes a peculiar expres-
sion when sugar is offered to it or when
the word sugar is pronounced. Its owner,
a carriage contractor, is also convinced that
his horse laughs.

The doctor says that apparently in both
cases the same muscles are brought into
play, and proposes to produce this expres-
sion by galvanisation in order to ascertain
the muscles which are employed and the
nervous centres which set them in motion.
Thus he says the psycho-physiological
mechanism of laughter in animals may be
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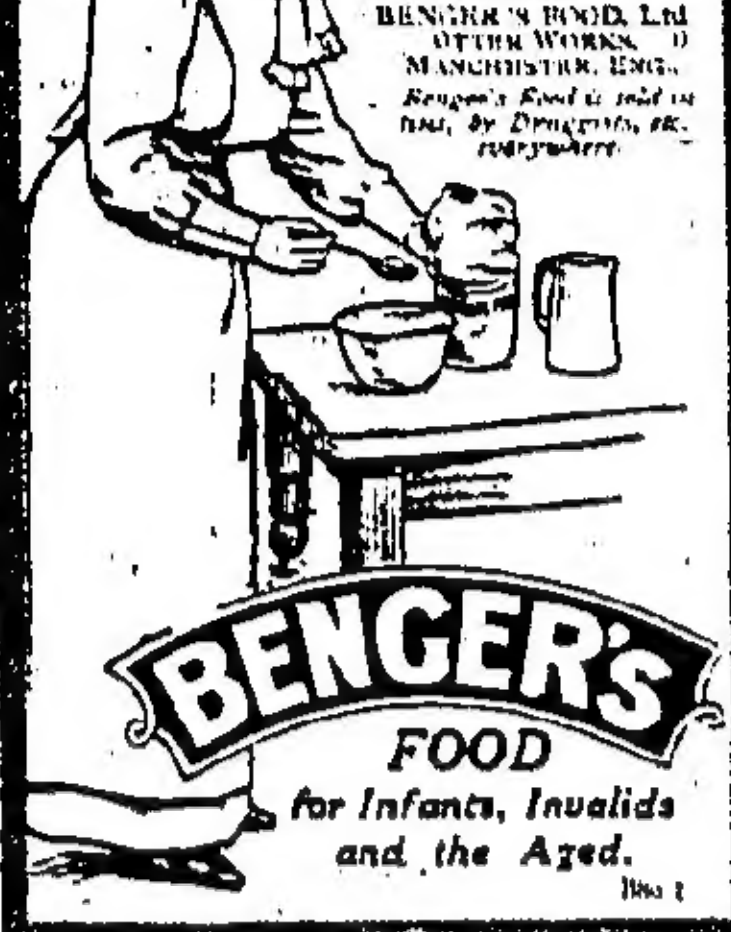
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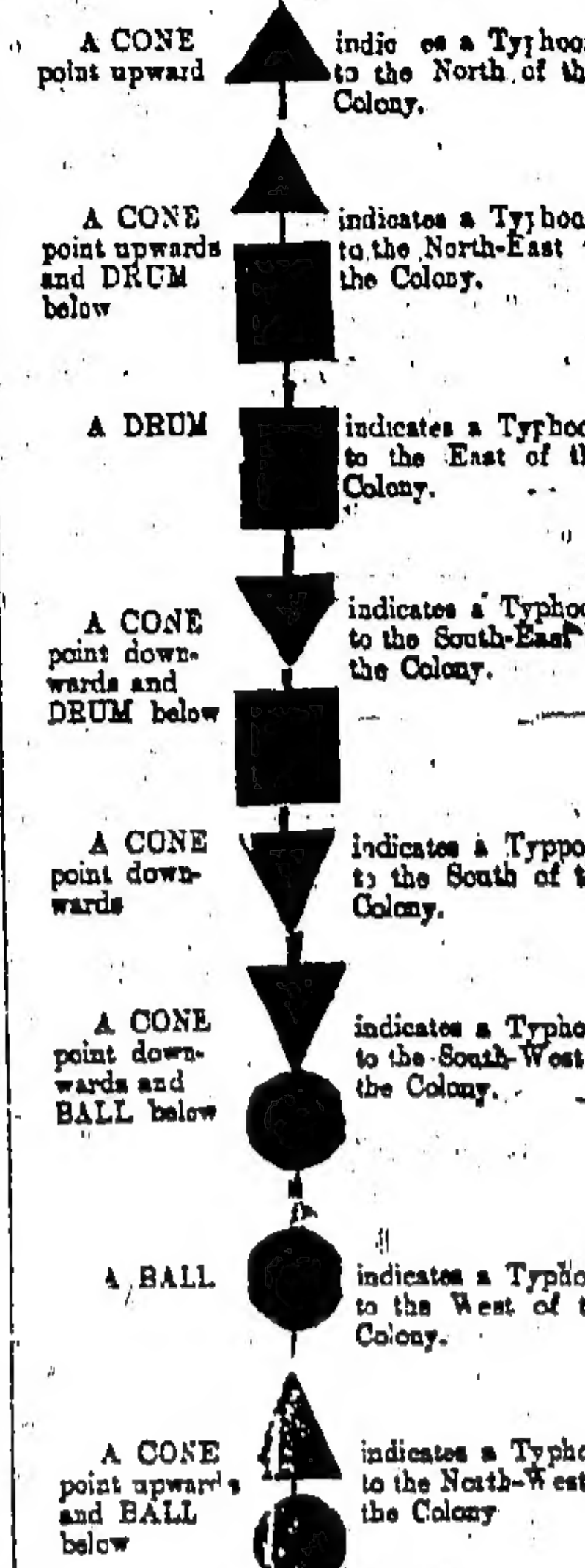
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Red Signals indicate that the centre is
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from the Colony.

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standing or misjudgment. Even in the House of Lords, Lord Balfour, who is perhaps more intimate than any of his colleagues in the Government with opinion in Germany, took the view that the position of existence in this country depended on sea power, and that, whatever Germany might do, we must maintain our superiority. This *obiter dictum* is growing tiresome, since the Government are not taking the action that is incumbent upon them. Mr. Churchill, when he introduced his original Estimates, indicated that if Germany augmented the fleet provided for in the then current Navy Act, we should lay down two battleships for every one added by the German Admiralty. Since then Germany has passed its fifth Amendment Act, and proposes to increase the programme of battleships by three, number of armoured cruisers by two, with a very great addition to the number of smaller craft and of officers, and men, as well as an increase in the provision for air-craft. The period over which these additions are to be spread is six years, and dates have been given for beginning two of the battleships, one of which will be laid down in 1913 and one in 1916. No indication is given so far as to the third vessel. The gravity of the situation is intensified by the fact that Germany's two allies in the Mediterranean are increasing their fleets in the same way, greater acceleration being anticipated as the result of the decisions made by the Admiralties of Italy and Austria-Hungary recently. It has thus been established that we must increase our fleet in the Mediterranean, and to do this it has been, and will be, found necessary to withdraw ships from home waters, partly because of the want of men to man them, and yet we have already been assured that our fleet in commission at home is no more than adequate to meet the necessities of the case, particularly as Germany has decided to create a third squadron. We are thus face to face with the unprecedented fact that four-fifths of the German fleet will be instantly and constantly ready for action.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Mr. A. B. Wood, surveyor of the Public Works Department, stationed in the New Territories, left yesterday for England via Canada.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha has decided to open an office of its own at Singapore which will be put into operation on September 1, in charge of Mr. Otsu of that service.

The continuance of maritime strikes at Marseilles has prevented the sailing of the Messageries Maritimes steamer Sydney on July 28 as scheduled and the vessel was not able to leave the port until August 14. She will, consequently, not arrive here before September and will sail for Europe on or about October 8.

The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company has secured the contract for the repairs and overhaul to the steam yacht *Agave*, the yacht of the general commanding the Philippine Division, U. S. Army. The specifications call for a large number of alterations including the installation of a telescopic steering gear, and will occupy over four months.

It is reported that owing to the lowering of the rate of freight on the Calcutta service, as a result of the rate war between the Nippon Yusen Kaisha and the British India S. N. Co., the Indian trade with Japan has developed remarkably and much larger quantities of pig iron and oil cake are being imported to Japan from India, while the export of Japanese matches and cotton goods to India has increased enormously.

At a complimentary dinner given in honour of Mr. Clarence, the Transvaal manager of the Union-Castle Line on July 19, Mr. Brown, the ex-Postmaster-General of the Transvaal, said it was understood that there would be an accelerated service by the Union-Castle Line to South Africa, and that three new 15,000-ton vessels would be laid down immediately, the order for one of the three steamers having already been placed with Messrs. Harland and Wolff. The new steamer, it is stated, will have a guaranteed speed of about 23 knots, and will be driven by a combination of turbine and reciprocating engines of large dimensions than the White Star liner *Laurentia*. She will be built on almost similar lines, and will be laid down in the first vacant berth.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

Torpedo boat 338 has left the Harbour.

The national subscription in Italy for an aerial fleet has reached £100,000.

The painters and the colour-washers of the colony went on strike on Monday. They are demanding an increase of pay from the contractors.

The s.s. *Hitchi Maru*, whose scheduled date of arrival was today, is not due until Saturday morning having been delayed in London by the strike.

A boy of twelve who stole a bicycle at Norwich sold it for three-half pence. The machine changed hands no fewer than four times during one evening, the last price realised being 2s. 9d.

The police have received a report to the effect that Pater Blair Allan, third engineer of the Haitian, is missing. He should have reported at his ship yesterday morning at 7 o'clock, but has not been seen.

A fire occurred yesterday in a Chinese house at She Tsoi village, in the Hong Wan district. Sparks from a fire in the kitchen ignited some grass in the apartment and before the flames were subdued by neighbours of the householders, assisted by the police, damage to the extent of \$50 was done.

The new Customs cruiser built by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. under the supervision of Mr. Harman, the Supt. Engineer of the Chinese Customs, underwent her trial trip today, which we believe was eminently successful. A tiffin was supplied on board for a few friends and representatives of the builders.

As a sequel to the Cheung Chow outrage we hear the Government intend reinforcing the Water Police Patrol by the purchase of another large launch, which will be able to do cruising work in the outlying waters of the Colony. We understand, the s.s. *Macma*, owned by Messrs. Macdonald and Co., has been decided on, and if properly fitted up and equipped she should prove an acquisition to the service.

A serious fracas is reported from San Francisco on board the P.M. steamer *Korea*, when the Chinese and Filipino members of the crew fell foul of each other over a question of food. The trouble started a few days out from Yokohama and in the fighting knives were freely used. Two of the Chinese and five Filipinos had subsequently to be treated in the ship's hospital for knife wounds received during the melee.

Police Sergeant Gerrard executed a search warrant at a house in the Eastern district yesterday and recovered goods valued at \$16 which formed part of the goods stolen in a recent burglary. Two men found on the premises were arrested. In a second house goods valued at \$84 of which the police took possession were found to be the proceeds of a burglary which had not been reported.

We have been informed that the Bandmann Opera Co. have decided to extend their present season for three nights in response to the many requests for "A Waltz Dream" and "The Quaker Girl." Their last and farewell performance will be on Tuesday night next and the company leaves by the intermediate P. & O. steamer the following day, instead of by the Mail boat on Saturday. The extended programme will be found on page 3.

The C. N. Co.'s steamer *Tatung*, Captain Somerville, resumed her old sailings on the Shanghai-Hankow run on August 20, after having been engaged for some two months on the trade between Hankow and Changsha. She made no less than eight trips in forty-four days, carrying a full cargo of 12,500 bags of rice on each downward run with the exception of the last, on which occasion she had half a cargo of beans. It is something unusual for a vessel of the *Tatung*'s size to be employed on this up-river trade, and she came through the ordeal without a single mishap or a hitch in cargo dispatch. Except on one trip, the *Tatung* anchored every night until daylight next morning. While on the run, she towed up the bulk *Rajah* to Changsha, the tow having to be lashed alongside owing to the difficulties of the river navigation.

A proposal is on foot to establish, with the aid of the Government, a Canadian Lloyd's owing to the refusal of London underwriters to lower the rates on hulls and cargoes on the St. Lawrence route commensurate with the improvements that have been made in the channel. It is expected that some plan will be evolved for the establishment of a Canadian Lloyd's as a species of clearing-house for Canadian marine insurance, with an arrangement by which the Government will meet the margin between the insurance charged between St. Lawrence ports and England and those obtaining in such American ports as Boston and New York. It is asserted by Canadian shipping interests that this differential insurance rate is altogether too large, in view of the improvements in the St. Lawrence route, amounting to from fifteen to forty cents per hundred dollars, according to season, which is quite sufficient to militate against the Canadian route for western traffic and send it to American ports.

TYPHOON WARNING.

We are courteously informed by the American Consul-General that he received the following telegram at 11.45 a.m.:

Manila, August 28, 1912.

Cyclone or Typhoon over or near

Meisoa Sina moving W.

Cyclone or Typhoon W. of northern Luzon more than 100 miles distant, almost stationary.

Cyclone or Typhoon near or over the northern Luzon or Mariana Islands, almost stationary.

According to the weather signals exhibited on Signal Hill, Kowloon, to day one typhoon is situated at the Meisoa Sina islands and is travelling north-west. If it keeps this direction it will strike the coast north of Foochow.

WHOSE PISTOL?

A man appeared before Mr. Wood this morning to answer a charge of being in unlawful possession of an automatic pistol and 2,000 rounds of ammunition, but as the ownership of the arm was not proved the case was remanded and the police instructed to make further inquiries.

A detective said he found the ammunition and revolver under the staircase of a house in Lesar Row. Defendant was the only man on the floor.

In answer to Mr. F. N. D'Almeida who defended, the witness said he asked defendant if other people lived on this floor, and he replied that there were six or seven.

Mr. Wood asked Inspector Sullivan, who was prosecuting, if he had made inquiries as to who was in charge of the floor, and on the inspector replying in the negative he ordered an adjournment till to-morrow, and granted defendant bail in the sum of \$250.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE ROBBERIES AT THE PEAK.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—I should be most obliged if those Peak Residents, whose houses have been entered by thieves during the past few months, would kindly meet me privately at my Office, 5 Queen's Road Central, to-morrow, Thursday, morning, at 12.30, with a view to concerted action being taken for the improvement of the present state of affairs.

I take this opportunity of warning householders at the Peak that, under present Police arrangements they cannot safely keep silver articles or portable valuables in their house, and more especially in their bedroom, unless they are prepared to defy the thieves and to sleep with the venetian or windows of their bedroom closed, or else to put up a grille or some netting in the framework of those outside windows which they intend to leave open at night.

Yours faithfully,
VICTOR.

28 August, 1912

OUR HARBOUR: A CRITICISM.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—It would seem that lately the weather has been adverse to the Sanitary Department barge taking the refuse of the town to the authorised dumping ground, if the state of the harbour is any criterion, although I do not recollect any severe weather recently. The state of the harbour these last few mornings must have reminded many an old salt of days in the Sargasso Sea, plus an odoriferousness which does not altogether appeal to the senses. The western part of the central fairway on Monday morning was a disgrace to any civilised port, being adorned by a floating mass of debris. This seems like reverting back to the days before the Government performed the work themselves and when the broad back of the contractor was ready to take the onus of the blame. Also, as the silt of the harbour seems to be occupying the minds of the public at present, a question as to what becomes of all the ashes from steamers might be asked with reason. Some of the large steamers, such as the Pacific Mail ships, pay a boat about \$25 a trip to take their ashes away. But what becomes of them after? Only the junk man can tell, but if the ground under the water to the south of Stonecutters were examined I think it could tell a tale. Other steamers hoist a call flag and a small boat goes alongside and takes the ashes away for nothing, nominally, but in reality for the small amount of coal and other things they acquire at the same time. Then as soon as it is dark the remainder of the refuse is dumped in the harbour at whatever convenient spot the boat happens to be. All this might be obviated if the Sanitary Department would station a barge for the reception of ashes, one at Wanchoi, one in the central district, and one west, with a notice affixed to each stating that they are for the reception of ashes. These barges could be easily towed out and emptied at the dumping ground every morning. It would certainly prove a boon to the numerous steam launch owners who at present, while one man is watching for the water polo or the harbour officers, have the contents of the stokehold slyly dumped over the side, in whatever part of the harbour they happen to be, as they have no recognised spot to place them and it is far too much trouble to steam outside the harbour limits.

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THE CHEUNG CHOW PIRATES.

Attached by Police at Macao.

Story of the Raid.

An important development has taken place in the hunt by the Portuguese for the perpetrators of the Cheung Chow outrage, as stated by Rutter's correspondent yesterday, and there is reason to hope that the number of the three Italian constables will be avenged, and this dangerous gang, a menace to isolated communities in the district, broken up. Ever since the receipt of the telegram from the Hongkong Government informing them of the belief that the pirates had escaped into Portuguese territory the authorities at Macao have been on the alert, and a day or two ago they obtained information that some of the band were on a junk anchored in the inner harbour of Macao, off Lappa Island, which is claimed both by the Chinese and Portuguese authorities.

Secret police boarded the junk, and as soon as the crew saw their approach they jumped into the sea, near Beira Grande. The police are reported to have then opened fire on the pirates from their boat, but all the men succeeded in escaping into Chinese territory with the exception of one, who was taken prisoner. On board the piratical junk was a Chinese woman from whom the police gathered much information concerning the organisation of the gang, and the plans they made for the attack on Cheung Chow. This woman is said to have been the wife or concubine of one of the band who was shot in the dark on the night of the attack.

On board the junk was also found a large quantity of the booty which the pirates carried away from the island, included in it being much valuable jewellery taken from the pawnshops in the village raided by the gang.

The activities of the police did not end with the raid on the junk, for two men have been placed under arrest on suspicion of complicity with the affair. As to these men further investigation is being assiduously prosecuted by the Macao detectives.

The latest information from the Portuguese Colony is to the effect that an old couple, a man and a woman, are supposed to have a clear knowledge of what transpired previous to the setting out of the gang from the island of Lappa to Cheung Chow and if the Macao police should be as successful in arresting these people as they have been in tracking the man now in custody it is believed that they will come into possession of valuable information concerning the gang.

It is idle to suppose, as stated by the Lisbon correspondent of the London "Times," that the Portuguese Government will detach any of the antiquated cruisers from its squadron in home waters for service in Macao. The one which has been named in Hongkong and Macao as the selected boat is the cruiser *Adamastor* which has visited Hongkong several times. The draught of this cruiser is so great that she would be precluded from approaching anywhere nearer to Macao than the roadstead, away out from Coloman, miles from the spot where the piratical junk was captured. It may be safely conjectured that in reality the gunboat which will be detailed for this special service will be the river-patrol boat *Macao* whose special build will enable her to reach the waterways higher up the river and operate on the shores of Lappa Island and Beira Grande.

SPORTING.

Swimming.

INTERPORT AQUATIC.
We hear that at the request of the Shanghai swimming clubs the dates for the interport aquatic sports, originally fixed for 26th, 27th and 28th prox., have been altered to 19th, 20th and 21st, just a week earlier. We understand, the later date interferes with the Shanghai men's training for their autumn regatta.

THE HARBOUR RACE.
A definite date has now been fixed for this annual event for trophies presented by the "China Mail." Those concerned have endeavoured to fix a day when there will be no tide, or practically none, between five and six p.m. The first day after the interport sports on which the tide will be suitable is Wednesday, October 2nd; so this date has been decided on and will not be changed unless for some very good reason.

V.R.C. NIGHT FETE.
The entries for the night fete at the V.R.C. on Saturday next (commencing at 9 p.m.) are good and an enjoyable entertainment is anticipated. A band will be in attendance. Admission for non-members fifty cents. The following is the programme:—

100 yards (Handicap). Long Plunge, Running Header, Team Race (2 lengths), Ladies' Nomination, High Dive, Water Polo.

Yee Goh Yung, of Bangkok, the holder of the principal portion of the stock of the China-Siam Steam Navigation Company, is reported to have made over 75,000 of his shares to the Kwangtung Government which will transfer them to the Central Government. The value of the company is supposed at the present moment to be over two and a half million dollars, and the value of the shares transferred at about nine dollars per share, will be about \$875,000. It is hoped that by this means the Central Government will interest itself in the prosperity of the company and, by granting special privileges and, eventually, a mail subsidy, enable the company to extend its scope.

THEFT FROM THE P. W. D.

Senior Linesman Charged.

This afternoon at the Magistracy the number one linesman of the Public Works Department, a Chinese, was charged with the theft of a coil of telephone wire, the property of the department.

Mr. Hodgson, assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr. F. N. D'Almeida defended.

A member of the P. W. D. Staff stated that he discovered that one coil of wire was missing and reported the matter.

The assistant managing partner of the Wing Cheong firm, 125 Des Voeux Road, said defendant was in the habit of leaving tools &c. at their premises. On August 17 he left the coil of wire produced and stated that he would take it away shortly.

In cross-examination Mr. Hodgson put it to the witness that he set it injudiciously in allowing defendant to leave things like tools and wire at his shop and advised him to be more careful in future.

Mr. D'Almeida submitted that there was no evidence against defendant. Defendant was replying a first between the Peak and the Harbour Master's office, and the wire was removed to the Wing Cheong shop in readiness to start work near the Harbour Master's office. When asked about the wire by an official defendant at once told him to stop. If defendant had intended to steal the wire he would not have employed men in the Government service, as he did, to carry it to the shop.

Mr. Hodgson said the Crown regarded the case as a serious one, as defendant was a foreman and a bad example was set to the men under him.

Defendant was sent to the six weeks imprisonment.

THE CHINA COAST GAZETTE.

Mr. D. Alexander has been appointed acting third engineer, Kwangchow.

Mr. J. Williams has been appointed acting second officer, Kwangchow.

Captain C. Lindstrom, from leave, has gone master, Kiangshin.

Captain Whitehead, Kiangshin, is awaiting orders.

Mr. F. B. Schulerud, second officer, Kwangchow, has gone second officer, Foochi.

Mr. A. Hall, second officer, Foochi, has resigned.

Mr. F. W. Clark has been appointed fourth engineer, Kutsang.

Mr. A. C. Benfield, supernumerary second officer, Kutsang, is awaiting orders.

Mr. F. N. Mason, supernumerary second officer, Choyang, has gone supernumerary, Kutsang.

Mr. A. G. Gardner, from leave, has gone second officer, Foochi.

Mr. G. G. Chyne, third engineer, Kutsang, has gone second engineer, Foochi.

Mr. G. J. Park, second engineer, Foochi, is on leave.

Mr. J. McMahon, supernumerary, Kutsang, has gone third engineer, same ship.

Mr. J. McN. Thomson, from leave, has gone second officer, Kwangchow.

Mr. A. G. McGregor, second officer, Kwangchow, has gone second officer, Kooching.

Mr. W. Black, awaiting orders, has gone fourth engineer, Luenho.

Mr. A. Young has been appointed acting third engineer, Waishing.

Mr. A. Duff, third engineer, Waishing, has resigned.

Mr. R. W. Daily, second officer, Kooching, is on leave.

Captain G. J. Spink of the *Kweilin* is on leave.

Mr. W. Roberts, second officer, *Elis Peking*, has gone second officer, Luenyi.

Mr. R. Nall, chief engineer, *Shantung*, has gone chief engineer, *Tatung*.

Mr. T. Murray, chief engineer, *Tatung*, has gone chief engineer, *Hsin Peking*.

Mr. A. Easton, acting chief engineer, *Hsin Peking*, has gone second engineer, same ship.

Mr. G. Ingram, second officer, *Luenyi*, is awaiting orders.

Captain G. A. Morse, of the *Shantung*, is awaiting orders.

Mr. A. V. Harrison, chief officer, *Shantung*, is awaiting orders.

Mr. E. P. Wright, second officer, *Shantung*, is awaiting orders.

Mr. J. G. Hannigan, second officer, *Hsin Peking*, has resigned.

Mr. A. Lawlor, second engineer, *Shantung*, has gone second engineer, *Hollow*.

Mr. H. McDonald, third engineer, *Shantung*, has gone supernumerary, *Hsin Peking*.

Mr. W. Kerr, third engineer, *Yochow*, is on leave.

THE BATH HABIT.

Scots First, English Second.

The bath habits of the English people as the result of a paper read at the Royal Sanitary Institute's Congress at York by Dr. R. H. Quine, of Manchester.

Dr. Quine gave the results of an extensive inquiry into the provision and use of baths in hotels, both family and commercial, and in seaside and country lodges.

"The odd bits," he said, "we used almost entirely by men. Those we have the daily bath habit seem to belong principally to the type of putrid and early middle aged. As years tower the daily bath habit seems to decline, military men came first with a rating on a good second."

In nationalities the following Dr. Quine said, appeared to be the order of frequency of bathing:—

English women.
Scotchmen.
Englishmen.
Irishmen.
Americans.

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE DUMB-BELL ISLAND
PIRACY ATTACK.PIRATE JUNK SEIZED;
BOOTY RECOVERED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, Aug. 28.

Reuter's Hongkong correspondent has telegraphed that the Macao police have seized a pirate junk and recovered the jewellery and other booty stolen from Dumb-Bell Island on the 19th inst.

[Note.—Inquiries made locally this morning practically confirm Reuter's cable. There is no doubt that the question of punishing the Chong Chow pirates and the stamping out of other bands in the neighbourhood of Hongkong and the Portuguese islands has formed the subject of negotiations between the respective Governments, and that these negotiations are still in progress.

High officials in the Colony who were approached by a representative of the "China Mail" this morning were very reluctant, and stated that the communications which have passed must at present be regarded as strictly confidential, it being deemed inadvisable to give any indication of what is taking place.

The police were approached, but had no information to give.—En. C.M.]

FRANCE AND MOROCCO.

VIGOROUS MEASURES INSISTED
UPON.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, August 28.

A telegram from Paris states that there is a strong outcry, demanding the release of the Marrakesh prisoners. The newspapers unanimously insist on vigorous measures.

WARSHIPS LEAVE FOR
CRETE.

TROUBLE FEARED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, August 28.

The cruiser Diana has just left Malta for Crete, where there is some anxiety owing to the discovery of a Cretan plot to seize Samos and hoist the Greek flag.

A French warship is also proceeding.

THE BALKANS
FERMENT.MONTENEGRO APPEALS TO
THE POWERS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, August 27.

A message from Cetinje states that the Powers have made vigorous representations to Montenegro whose Government assures them that it will not act contrary to their wishes, and disclaims any idea of aggression. But the Government declares that it cannot tolerate Turkish frontier fortresses in Montenegrin territory and appeals to the Powers to settle the dispute.

TURKISH CONCESSIONS.

Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople wires that it is announced that the Government has instructed the vassals of all the European provinces to apply the concessions made to the Albanians throughout their districts. The same measures, it is understood, will be introduced in the Anatolian vilayets.

The report of the attack on Sjenitz is doubted here. The exodus of Serbians is believed to be due to the Albanians returning from Ukub, having seized the Government magazines of rifles on route, and manifesting their satisfaction in Albanian fashion by discharging their rifles and frightening the Christians.

CHARGE AGAINST MR.
ROOSEVELT.

COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, August 27.

The Senate at Washington has finally passed a resolution in favour of the Campaign Funds Committee investigating the charge made that the Standard Oil Co. made a donation to Mr. Roosevelt's campaign fund in 1904.

DR. MORRISON MARRIED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, August 27.

Dr. Morrison, Political Adviser to the Chinese Government, was married in London yesterday to Miss Robin, a lady who is well acquainted with China, whether they return after their honeymoon.

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE TIBETAN
QUESTION."THE TIMES" ON THE NEW
SITUATION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, August 28.

The Times, in an article following up what appeared in its issue of July 25, contends that during the last few weeks an entirely new situation has arisen in Tibet. "All our acknowledgments to the Chinese Suzerainty were made in circumstances now non-existent. Renewed Chinese invasion would doubtless be accompanied by barbarity and followed by merciless oppression." Great Britain ought to insist that Chinese intervention should never again be exercised, except on well-defined limits, and Tibet must not again be found deprived of her twice-won autonomy, contained in a clause of the Anglo-Russian Convention prohibiting representatives in Lhasa. This ought to be re-considered to the extent of British interests and the welfare of Tibetans.

The journal suggests the appointment of a competent British representative at Lhasa, and states that the present is the most favourable moment to examine their suggestion.

COMPACT BETWEEN CHINESE
AND TIBETANS.

The Kalimpong correspondent of the Statesman, Calcutta, telegraphs that a compact for the cessation of hostilities was sealed on August 12, as the result of which the Chinese and Tibetan arms were handed over to the Nepalese, representing the two sides. The arms were stored in a sealed house with an amban and body guard staff in attendance. The exact terms of the compact are not known, but it appears that the Tibetans insisted on a continuance of the old relationship.

CHINESE SOLDIERS LEAVING
LHASA.

LONDON, August 28.
Reuter's Simla correspondent telegraphs that the first batch of 500 disarmed Chinese soldiers is reported to have left Lhasa for Gyantse.

THE DISASTROUS WEATHER
IN GREAT BRITAIN.VILLAGES CUT OFF BY
FLOODS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, August 27.

The weather is the subject which receives greatest prominence in the papers, and the news puts all other horrors in the background.

The latest news is that Norwich, Cromer and several villages in Lincolnshire are cut off by floods. Passengers for Cromer yesterday could not proceed beyond King's Lynn, where they were deposited on a flooded platform and had to find lodgings in the town.

TREMENDOUS DISLOCATION.

LATER.
East Anglia is now in communication with the south but not with the Midlands or the North.

The mails from Manchester were taken via Ipswich to London.

Brakes took passengers twelve miles into Norwich.

Telegraphic communication is being restored.

Messages despatched from Norwich on Monday are only just coming through.

There is no record of such an extraordinary state of affairs. It has rained incessantly for seven hours, and there are several feet of water in many of the streets, in which boats are being plied and the tramway service stopped.

Business is at a standstill.

The weather prospects are improving, but the East Coast resorts are still cut off.

LATER.
The deluge in the Eastern Counties has caused widespread floods and vast damage at Norwich, Lowestoft, Yarmouth, Cromer, etc., which are completely cut off from London. Booking to many of the seaside resorts has been cancelled.

The position is unparalleled in history. A number of branch railways are at a standstill in the Midlands.

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE LATE MIKADO

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, August 28.

It is proclaimed to-day that the late Emperor shall be named hereafter as "Meiji Teino."

MR. BONAR LAW.

"BADLY SHAKEN" IN MOTOR
SMASH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, August 28.

Mr. Bonar Law, the leader of the Opposition, after golfing, was motoring towards Margate and encountered a "bad smash" with another car at a dangerous corner.

All the six motorists involved were badly shaken.

THE KAISER'S INDIS-
POSITION.SUFFERING FROM
EXHAUSTION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, August 28.

The Kaiser is better but is suffering from exhaustion. The swelling of the glands of the muscles of the neck and the feverish symptoms have subsided and he has been ordered complete rest.

His Majesty's indisposition was caused by the inclement weather at the Mayence Parade, and having to motor afterwards contrary to the wishes of his physicians.

DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE
HONOURED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, August 28.

The King has conferred the Grand Cross of the Victorian Order upon the Duke of Devonshire.

CHINESE NEWS.

(Woh Tse Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, August 28.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen is now living in the house formerly occupied by Yungku (a Minister of the old government) which was recently prepared for his reception.

The Enmpress Dowager has presented him with a number of articles for adornment.

The mutiny in Tungchow has been suppressed.

A JAPANESE STOWAWAY.

A Japanese was charged this morning before Mr. Melbourne at the Magistrate's Court with travelling on the s.s. Myshima Maru as a stowaway from Shanghai to Hongkong. Prisoner admitted his guilt. A representative of the steamship company stated that stowaways were giving them a lot of trouble.

A fine of \$50, or six weeks imprisonment, was the penalty imposed.

THE COUNT OF LUXEMBOURG.

The "Count of Luxembourg" was staged by the Bandmann Opera Company at the Theatre Royal last evening, an admirable performance of this pretty and popular play being witnessed by a large and very appreciative audience.

The setting of the principals was exceedingly good. Mr. Bobby Roberts' impersonation of the Grand Duke Rutiz was a very clever study of a difficult role, and the audience were not slow to recognise it. Miss Georgie Corlies as Angèle Didier gave further proof of her ability. In the portrayal of her emotion when she discovers that she is the Count's husband, she was especially good, her acting reaching a high standard. The Count was ably impersonated by Mr. William Farmer. Miss Violet Framp-ton made a very dainty Juliette. As Brizard, the artist, Mr. Alfred Frith kept the audience constantly amused by his eccentric and spontaneous humour. The other characters were well taken, and the music was pleasingly rendered. To-night "Peggy" will be presented.

BOWEL COMPLAINT IN CHILDREN.

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Stop Press News

LAUNCH AT TAIKOO DOCK-
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A steel screw tug boat, built to the order of the Taikoo Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., was successfully launched at Taikoo Dockyard this morning. The vessel presents a smart and serviceable appearance, and is of the following dimensions:—Length over all 88'0". Breadth moulded 18'0". Depth moulded 10'0".

The machinery consists of one set of engines of the vertical, direct-acting, surface-condensing, compound type, and steam will be supplied by one multitubular boiler having a working pressure of 140 lbs. A short bridge has been fitted over the deckhouse forward, and hand steering gear installed. For working anchors a quick winding winch is provided forward, which can also be utilised for loading and discharging cargo when desired, the mast having a suitable derrick and gear fitted.

The vessel will have a speed 11 knots. As she left the ways the vessel was christened "Taikoo Kom" by Miss Templeton, daughter of Mr D. Templeton.

IMPRISONED WITHOUT TRIAL.

Protest Against Long Adjournments.

This afternoon at the Magistracy Mr. Lewis made an application for bail on behalf of two men, charged with embezzlement, whom he is defending, and protested against their being kept in prison without any evidence having been offered against them.

Mr. Lewis said the case came before Mr. Irving a week ago and the police obtained a formal remand till yesterday, and the hearing was fixed for this morning. He attended the court this morning, and learned that a further remand for a week was ordered yesterday, without notice having been given to him. It was not the practice for solicitors to appear on a formal remand. The proceedings were certainly irregular, and he asked for bail for his clients.

Mr. Melbourne said the unfortunate part of the matter was that Mr. Irving, who ordered the first remand, was away ill. Mr. Wood, who ordered the remand this morning, would not be made aware of the circumstances by Mr. Irving's notes. As the case had already been remanded he was afraid he could only make a note of Mr. Lewis's objection.

Mr. Lewis pointed out that not a word of evidence had been offered by the police against the men, who pleaded not guilty. There was nothing to prevent the police going on with the case if they wanted to. He objected to the defendants being kept in prison without any chance of being bailed out. He did not complain of the action of the Magistrate, but of the police. They could have opened their case to-day, and practically completed it.

Mr. Melbourne said he thought Mr. Irving would be in court to-morrow. Mr. Lewis could apply to him then for bail, but if he should still be unable to attend he would take over the case himself.

"According to the 'Marine Rundschau,' the provision of a large floating dock at Tsingtau and the creation of a shipyard in the Kiaochow district have given the German forces in that region an independence they did not formerly possess. The vessels now in that part of the world will henceforth be docked and refitted by German means at much less cost. The Condor was docked and repaired at Tsingtau, and was followed by the Planet, and then by the Cormoran, which was to be re-commissioned or to receive a new complement there. Within a short time all the German warships in these waters will have undergone repair and refit at Tsingtau.

The refusal of the Blue Funnel Company to agree to the reduction of the freight rates on trans-Pacific tea which had been forced on the Japanese Lines by the Japan Tea Growers' Association has led to the withdrawal of that company from the North Pacific Conference and the remaining lines have now issued an intimation to Far Eastern shippers that freight consigned by the steamers of the Blue Funnel Line will invalidate all claims to participate in the deferred rebates payable by these lines. It is understood that the Holt Line refuses to surrender its rebate privileges, and common action by the remaining lines, which include the Nippon Yusen, Osaka Shosen and Toyo Kisen Kaisha, the Canadian Pacific, Pacific Mail and Great Northern, is anticipated against the line.

Lord Charles Boreford, in urging the Admiralty to make more use of the Mercantile Marine as a possible field for the mobilisation of auxiliary cruisers, has drawn attention to the action of Italy where, on the outbreak of the war, the Ministry of Marine was enabled to place twenty-one fast merchant steamers under the flag of the Italian Admiralty within a few hours of the declaration. None of these had a lower speed than seven knots, and every one of them had her war armament of four 4.7-inch guns stored in her hold. The mobilisation arrangements provide for their complete equipment with ammunition and all war stores at one or other of the Naval bases. The smallest of these emergency cruisers is 2,400 tons, and the biggest of them, the Principe Masafida, 9,400 tons.

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Hongkong, August 6, 1912.

Notices to Consignees.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

THIS Company's Steamship Omi Maru, having arrived from the above Ports,

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed

and placed at their risk in the Godowns

Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company

Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignee

will be notified by mark and delivery

can be obtained as soon as

